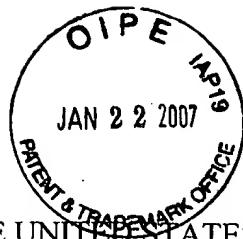


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In re Application of:)
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Application No.: 08/796,519) : Group Art Unit: 2853
Filed: February 7, 1997)
For: INK CONTAINER FOR INK)
JET PRINTING HOLDER)
FOR THE CONTAINER,)
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HOLDER AND INK JET)
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 16, 2006, the period for response to which having been extended to January 16, 2007 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please amend the above-identified application, as follows:

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